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The World We Want & How to Get There

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– Michael Pollan, author *Omnivore's Dilemma*

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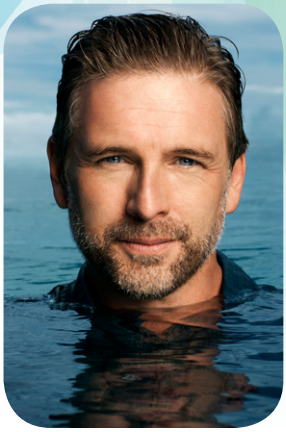
Yes, 2014 marks our 25th Bioneers Conference birthday! We honor all of you who've shared and contributed to this amazing journey. We're conjuring some special magic to celebrate this milestone with you at the 2014 Summit and throughout the year.

After a quarter-century, the Bioneers community of leadership has learned a thing or two about breakthrough solutions and what directions to head in. Like a magnifying glass channeling sunlight, the "Growing The Movement" theme is designed to help focalize this wealth of community wisdom, skillfulness and vision into beams of action – a trellis of light on which our shared work can grow.

The years between now and 2020 will be the most important in the history of human civilization. Climate change has crash-landed from the future into the present. The ecological debt we've incurred is dire. The hyper-concentration of wealth has captured our political systems, impoverishing humanity, the environment and democracy. The bottom line is we're living beyond our means, and the collection agency is at the door.

When you're in an abusive relationship, the healthy course of action is to get out. Our challenge is to alter the "mindscape," inspire a change of heart, and radically quicken the transformation to a healthy, resilient, just and fulfilling civilization that restores nature and people.

These disruptive times belong to those who learn, innovate and adapt. Novelty emerges. Small changes can have big influences. The seeds of new solutions arise with new conditions. It's an era of creativity, freedom and transformation – the reinvention of everything.



Clockwise from upper left: Eve Ensler, Paul Stamets, Cecil Williams & Janice Mirikitani, Clayton Thomas-Muller, Wallace J. Nichols, Terry Tempest Williams, Naomi Klein, Kenny Ausubel, & Nina Simons.

Yet we know all the technical fixes in the world won't solve this crisis - because it's also about a change of heart and worldview. The word "crisis" comes from the Greek word krino: "to decide." We need to decide what kind of world we want - and act on it.

The world we want is visible now in seed forms -- in the models, practices and stories encoded in the Bioneers community of leadership. We've got to spread and scale the models and solutions we've already got - fast. We've got to shortcut innovation.

It comes down to growing the national and global movement of movements that Bioneers reflects and has helped connect and shape. It's going to take you and every one of us. In this time, we're all called upon to be leaders -- and leadership resides in community.

What we do not have is time because the state of the world has hurtled from urgency to emergency. It's bottom up and top down to generate the biggest, fastest economic, industrial and cultural transformation in history. Together we've got to engage millions and billions more people to make this once-in-a-civilization leap into the world we want -- the world the world wants.

How can we make a difference that really makes the difference? How do we get there?

We're asking our whole amazing Bioneers community – you! What's the world you want? How are you going to help the world get there?

We offer a deep bow of gratitude and love to each of you with whom we've had the honor and joy of walking this amazing road so far. We make the road by walking. As Rosanne Cash sings in 50,000 Watts, "It's a hard road, but it fits your shoes."

With Our Love, Gratitude and Respect–
Kenny Ausubel & Nina Simons, Founders

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DIVERSE ACTION-ORIENTED PROGRAMMING

Experience the rising tide of inspiring change around the country and world, rooted in values of justice, equity, diversity, democracy and peace.

EXPLORE the forefront of breakthrough ideas and models in electrifying keynote talks, often featuring "the greatest people you've never heard of."

PARTICIPATE in kaleidoscopic afternoon panels and workshops on Ecological Design, Climate Solutions, Clean Energy, Social & Racial Justice, Women's Leadership, Gender and Sexual Health, Green Business, Community Resilience, Restorative Food Systems, Ecological Medicine, New Economics, Ecological Literacy Education, Indie Media, Wildlands Conservation, Art & Social Change, Youth Leadership -- and lots more!

CONNECT with leading-edge innovators and projects across a rich arc of fields, cultures and walks of life, and share your thoughts and experience in Conversation Cafés, Councils, and participatory and experiential workshops.

NETWORK with dynamic change-makers from around the country and world, or from your neck of the woods, to develop important professional and personal relationships.

DISCOVER powerful opportunities and strategies for creating progressive change in your work, life and community.

CELEBRATE how great a difference one person can make, and how building community makes the difference. Expand your own community of new allies and friends!

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

THE INDIGENOUS FORUM

Native-led daily programs and a pre-conference intensive in the only gathering of its kind in the U.S. featuring visionary indigenous leaders.

.ORG FESTIVAL

Experience the vibrant landscape of civil society at one of the biggest and most dynamic nerve centers of citizen action in the world.

FILMS AND FILMMAKERS

Amazing social-issue movies and passionate filmmakers.

JOIN THE BIONEERS RESILIENT COMMUNITIES NETWORK!

Bring Bioneers to your community with Bioneers Resilient Communities Network events and initiatives. The RCN is an active, engaged national network of communities of practice, focused on spreading, implementing and supporting breakthrough solutions to build "resilience from the ground up" at local and regional levels. To apply to join this thriving action network of partner organizations and communities, contact Nikki Spangenburg: nikki@bioneers.org.

BECOME A BIONEERS MEDIA POLLINATOR

From our award-winning annual radio series to our new themed Media Collections, Bioneers media are powerful educational and organizing tools. Share the kaleidoscopic spectrum of inspiring solutions and visionary leaders to educate and engage your friends, community, company, organization and public servants. For more information email pollinator@bioneers.org.

PRE-CONFERENCE INTENSIVE: Thursday, October 16th – 9am-5pm

Three Sisters Farming: Indigenous Women, Plants, and Foodways

Presented by The Cultural Conservancy and Bioneers Indigenous Knowledge Program

In this full-day, hands-on workshop/immersion in Indigenous Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK), we explore plants as teachers and the science and philosophy of diverse indigenous foodways and ethnobotanical traditions, including: "Three Sisters" Agriculture, Pueblo farming, organic gardening and California Indian land management practices. We will harvest, collect seeds, and eat together from our Three Sisters Garden as an embodiment of botanical and social polyculture.

This historic workshop features a world-class line-up:

Robin Kimmerer (Potawatomie): scientist, award-winning writer (Braiding Sweetgrass; Gathering Moss), Distinguished Teaching Professor of Environmental Biology at NY's SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry and founding Director of its Center for Native Peoples and the Environment for reconciling indigenous and Western science.

Roxanne Swentzell (Santa Clara Pueblo): co-founder/President of the Flowering Tree Permaculture Institute at New Mexico's Santa Clara Pueblo and globally renowned Santa Clara Pueblo ceramic sculptor.

Sage LaPena (Wintu): Water Resources Coordinator at California's Hopland Pomo Tribal EPA, working on watershed management, riparian restoration, botany, habitat restoration, Traditional (Tribal) Ecological Knowledge, and public education.

Wendy Johnson: author of Gardening at the Dragon's Gate, renowned organic gardening elder-mentor, founder of the famed Organic Farm and Garden program at Green Gulch Zen Center in Marin County.

Hosted by **Melissa Nelson**, President of the Cultural Conservancy, **Wendy Johnson**, and **Cara Romero**, Director of the Bioneers' Indigenous Knowledge Program.

Location: Indian Valley Organic Farm and Garden, College of Marin, Novato, CA
Price: $195, includes transportation and lunch

POST-CONFERENCE INTENSIVES:
Monday, October 20th – 9am-5pm

Food System Resilience from Homestead to Community and Beyond

In this sustainability tour and skill-building workshop led by Trathen Heckman of Daily Acts, with Naomi Starkman of the award-winning Civil Eats, and new farmer and Farm Guild organizer Evan Wiig, we will learn Permaculture skills and tour successful, mature models of local sustainability, including: gray water systems, community gardens, edible landscapes, food forests, water harvesting earthworks, and rain gardens.

Discover strategies to: transform your backyard as the beginning of transforming your neighborhood, municipality, and region; build leadership and self-reliance in your community; promote family and community food security and a local food economy; organize your community; work with municipal government as an ally; and foster new farmer networks.

Trathen Heckman, founder of Daily Acts, helps transform water-thirsty lawns into productive edible gardens, supports the installation of home-scale gray water and rainwater harvesting systems, facilitates sustainability tours that have inspired over 600 garden installations, and educates Sonoma County residents to live a more ecologically sustainable lifestyle.

Naomi Starkman is founder and Editor-in-Chief of Civil Eats, named 2014 Publication of the Year by the James Beard Foundation. Naomi served as the Director of Communications & Policy at Slow Food Nation '08 and has worked as a media consultant at The New Yorker, Vanity Fair, GQ and WIRED magazines.

Evan Wiig, from Community Garden in Brooklyn to Cattle Ranch in CA, has spent the last few years emerged in the local food and farming movement, raising chickens and working to convene farmers around important issues as an organizer for the Farmers Guild, a network of new farmers, ranchers and chefs sharing ideas and skills.

Location: Trathen Heckman's permaculture garden and neighboring sites in Petaluma
Price: $175, including transportation from Embassy Suites hotel to the program site and cob oven pizza for lunch.

Feminomics: Reinventing Economics That Work for All of Life

Groundbreaking women in leadership (and some men) in finance, business, policy, and culture are creating Feminomics: new economic models and visions that take into account the biosphere, health and justice to help shift us toward a life-affirming, just economy and world. These new economic models apply a gender lens, whole systems thinking, nature's models, indigenous traditions and place a value on the wellbeing of people and the planet.

Intended for practitioners, professionals and anyone interested in re-imagining economics, this one-day intensive features leading-edge innovators and practitioners in investment, philanthropy, entrepreneurship, justice, and policy. They will highlight some of the most promising practices, models and visions. After brief presentations from diverse leaders, we will engage in networking sessions and round-table "collaboratories" to work together on principles and models, connecting our disparate communities to accelerate learning, cross-pollination, connection and mutual support.

Hosted by **Alisa Gravitz**, Executive Director of Green America, and **Nina Simons**, Bioneers Co-Founder and Every Woman's Leadership founder, along with **Georgie Benardete**, Managing Director at Multicultural Capital partnering on program planning.

With:
Katherine Collins, Founder/CEO of Honeybee Capital, author of The Nature of Investing
Neva Morrison, formerly of First Peoples Worldwide
Adam Werbach, founder of Yerdle
Nikki Silvestri, CEO of Green for All
Charles Eisenstein, author of Sacred Economics
Joy Anderson, CEO of Criterion Institute

Location: At the Embassy Suites Hotel
Price: $195.00 includes lunch

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

KEYNOTES AND PERFORMANCES: 9AM-1PM

DRUMMING by **Deb Lane** and **Afia Walking Tree**

OPENING by Kanyon Sayers-Roods (Ohlone) and **Joanne Campbell** (Coast Miwok), Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria

OPENING TALKS by **Kenny Ausubel** and **Nina Simons**, Bioneers Founders

PAUL STAMETS
How Mushrooms Can Help Us Survive "Extinction 6x"

Introduction by Kenny Ausubel

In this 6th Age of Extinctions, the biosphere's life-support systems that have allowed humans to ascend are collapsing. Visionary mycological researcher/inventor Paul Stamets illuminates how fungi, particularly mushrooms, offer uniquely powerful, practical solutions we can implement now to boost the biosphere's immune system and equip us with benign breakthrough mycotechnologies to accelerate the transition to a restored world.

EVE ENSLER
One Billion Rising for Justice: The Future's in the Body

Introduction by Nina Simons

Eve Ensler, playwright, performer, activist, award-winning author of The Vagina Monologues and founder of V-Day, illuminates her most recent campaign, One Billion Rising for Justice. It's a global call to women survivors of violence and those who love them to gather safely in community in public places worldwide to end violence against women, break the silence and release their stories through art, dance, marches, ritual, song and words.

XIUHTEZCATL MARTINEZ & ITZCUAUHTLI ROSKE-MARTINEZ

Youth Activist Rap Duo.

SEVERINE V T FLEMING
Millions of Acres: Young Agrarians Needed

*Introduction by **Travis Forgues**, dairy farmer/board member, Organic Valley*

In the next 20 years, farmland ownership will shift on a continental scale—400 million acres, yet 70% of American farmland is owned by people 65 and older. How can we help young, motivated agrarians survive daunting structural obstacles and become successful farmers to whom retiring organic farmers can transmit their wisdom? How can we invest in the democratization of our land base? These questions drive Agrarian Trust, started by by Greenhorns founder Severine v T Fleming, one of the most dynamic leaders in the young farmers' movement.

XIUHTEZCATL MARTINEZ
Youth Leadership
Our Generation Was Born To Change The World

Fourteen-year-old indigenous environmental activist and rapper Xiuhtezcatl Martinez, Youth Director of Earth Guardians, has organized rallies, actions, demonstrations and events, and spoken globally. His generation is rising up to defend our future.

CECIL WILLIAMS & JANICE MIRIKITANI
Who Will Take Care of My People?

Introduction by Christy Brown, Festival of Faiths

For 45 years, Reverend Cecil Williams, founder and Minister of Liberation of Glide Memorial United Methodist Church in San Francisco, and its founding President Janice Mirikitani have created 87 groundbreaking programs to provide human services to some of the Bay Area's most disenfranchised communities. These renowned faith-based pathfinders share their visions and strategies to address the pollution, economic injustice, neglect and apathy that confront poor communities.

TIM MERRY

The Slam Poet Harvester weaves the morning's highlights into bardic verse.

WHAT IS COUNCIL?

The practice of council is both ancient and modern, with roots in many civilizations throughout the world as well as in contemporary organizational disciplines. Each of us knows the joy of sharing stories around the campfire or at bedtime or with like-minded peers. By removing the social barriers that keep us separate, council allows for the kind of listening that brings instant recognition that we are all, in fact, related. Sitting in council, in a circle, speaking and listening from the heart, we remember...we know how to do this; it's in our bones.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS—2:45-4:15PM

Solutions from the Underground: Mushrooms as Planetary Healers

Visionary mycologist **Paul Stamets**, founder, Fungi Perfecti, author of landmark books including Mycelium Running, explores the leading edges of his research and current applications using fungi for restoring the biosphere and human health.

Archetypes in Every Woman

How might our culturally inherited myths and symbols be limiting—or expanding—our stories, options and realities? Explore this dynamic terrain through a multi-cultural lens. Hosted by **Anneke Campbell**, author, activist, filmmaker. With: **Jean Shinoda Bolen**, author, Jungian therapist, activist; **Luisah Teish**, teacher/storyteller/priestess in the Ifa Orisha tradition; **Sri Swamini Svatmavidyananda**, teacher of Vedanta and Sanskrit, resident Acharya of the Arsha Vijnana Gurukulam.

The Choir and Beyond: Media and Social Change

How are media innovators propelling social change by reaching out to diverse constituencies and across political divides? Hosted by **Jeremy Kagan**, award-winning filmmaker, USC professor and founder of Change Making Media Lab. With: **Bryan Welch**, Publisher and Editorial Director, Ogden Publications (Mother Earth News, Mother Earth Living, Utne Reader) **Amy Hartzler**, Studio Director, Free Range; **John S. Bracken**, Director of Media Innovation, John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

Re-Localizing the Food System

Three leading innovators show how to transform the food system to expand local economies and nurture vibrant community cultures. Hosted by **Arty Mangan**, Director, Bioneers Restorative Food Systems program. With: **Michael H. Shuman**, expert on community economics, author of Local Dollars, Local Sense; **Sibella Kraus**, President, Sustainable Agriculture Education, supporting regional food systems and multifunctional agriculture; **Severine v T Fleming**, farmer, activist, filmmaker, founder of Greenhorns.

Greening Businesses of All Sizes

Key leaders illustrate promising initiatives and the main challenges in the "greening" of capitalism. Hosted by Amanda Joy Ravenhill, professor of Sustainable Management, Presidio Graduate School. With: **David Levine,** co-founder/CEO, American Sustainable Business Council; **Oren Lyons**, global indigenous leader, co-founder, Plantagon vertical greenhouses for urban farming; **Danna Pfahl**, VP of Stakeholder Engagement, Future 500.

Education for Sustainability

Connect with kindred educators in an emerging community of practice in this participatory session offering frameworks and tools for designing an effective Education for Sustainability (EfS) initiative in your community and/or school. Hosted by **Kirk Bergstrom**, filmmaker, educator, social entrepreneur, founder and Executive Director of WorldLink. With: **Jaimie Cloud**, President, Cloud Institute for Sustainability Education; **Linda Booth Sweeney**, award-winning author and systems educator.

Spirituality and Faith Communities: Engaging for Resilience and Action

Many communities of spirituality and faith have adopted formal resolutions proclaiming protecting the Earth and promoting environmental justice as cornerstone moral responsibilities. How can faith congregations build vibrant networks and partnerships to build resilience locally and regionally? Hosted by

Lisa Anderson, Director of Women's Multifaith Education, Auburn Theological Seminary. With: **Rev. Canon Sally Bingham**, President, The Regeneration Project, Interfaith Power and Light; **Owsley Brown**, Chairman, Festival of Faiths; **Rev. Fletcher Harper**, Executive Director, Green Faith; **Krithika Harish**, Young Leaders Program Coordinator, United Religions Initiative.

Indigenous Forum. Brave-Hearted Women: Protectors of Native Women's Health

Indigenous women examine health threats to women, families and communities, and provide breakthrough case studies and models for protecting and supporting Native women's health in urban and rural contexts. Hosted by **Melissa Nelson** (Turtle Mountain Anishinaabe), President, The Cultural Conservancy. With: **Jessica Danforth** (Mohawk), Native Youth Sexual Health Network; **Esther Lucero**, LSW (Yaqui), California Consortium of Urban Indian Health Centers; **April McGill** (Pomo/Yuki), Native American Health Center, San Francisco; and **Katsi Cook** (Akwesasne Mohawk), traditional midwife and health advocate.

Youth: Stepping Up to Leadership —Strategies and Advice for Young Activists

Award-winning young environmental leaders share stories, challenges and successful strategies for environmental justice. Learn practical tips: how to initiate community environmental campaigns, rally support and resources, and make real change for a more sustainable future. With 2014 Brower Youth Award winners.

Council. It Takes a Village to Raise an Elder: Intergenerations Honoring the Wisdom of the Elders in our Communities, Families & Glocal World

Can honoring the wisdom and knowledge of elders encourage innovative and timely solutions to our global and personal concerns? With: **Ilarion Merculieff**, Aleut traditional messenger; **Sharon Shay Sloan**, council trainer, community steward. (Interactive, experiential)

Design Thinking for Bioneers

Learn and apply a creative, research-based method to help catalyze your visionary ideas, reframe challenges collaboratively to generate new solution possibilities, and use design thinking to find inspiring new pathways to transformative action. With: **Marilyn Cornelius** and **Zanette Johnson**, d.cipher facilitators. (Interactive)

SPECIAL PROGRAM FEATURES

LEADERSHIP FOR THE 21ST CENTURY: WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW WILL SURPRISE YOU

What if the assumptions you had about yourself were not only challenged, but dispelled? Experience a breakthrough in what you know about who you are by working with a horse and Lisa Arie, founder/CEO of Vista Caballo. Friday and Saturday: 2:45-4:15pm and 4:30-6pm.

.ORG FESTIVAL

New this year! Check out the jewels in the crown of great nonprofit groups, leaders and innovators from leading national and Bay Area groups creating the world we want.

TRASHION SHOW!

Truckee High's Envirolution Club steals the show every year turning trash into high fashion with a serious environmental message.

ADDITIONAL YOUTH PROGRAMS

Youth Orientation. On Thursday night before the conference, meet other youth attending Bioneers and become a member of a small mentoring team to share, process and explore your Bioneers experience with your peers and an experienced mentor from Weaving Earth. Dinner will be served.

COMMUNITY OF MENTORS OFFICE HOURS

Activist youth seeking guidance have the daily opportunity to be in small-group mentoring sessions with Bioneers presenters.

Wiser Together Café: Igniting Possibilities through Intergenerational Partnerships

Join a participant-driven conversation around themes emerging at the conference. How can we collaborate, connect diverse perspectives, share talents, and shape the future? With: **David Shaw**, Common Ground Center, UCSC; **Dana Pearlman**, The Lotus, and Global Leadership Lab.

Herbwalk

Explore the medicinal and edible landscape with herbalist **Kami McBride**. (Interactive, experiential)

FRIDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS—4:30-6:00PM

City of Joy: Turning Pain to Planting and Power

How can farming and gardening help empower and heal one of the world's most challenged populations? City of Joy Founder **Eve Ensler** and permaculturists **Brock Dolman** and **Dave Henson** of Occidental Arts and Ecology Center are developing a farm cooperative in City of Joy, the world-renowned haven for women rape survivors in the Congo.

Designing a World for the 100%, by the 100%

Leading women designers gathered by the Buckminster Fuller Institute (BFI) explore the principles of participatory design—inclusion, cooperation, community, regeneration—and how we can design a human world that meets everyone's needs without harming the biosphere. Hosted by **Elizabeth Thompson**, BFI Executive Director. With: **Erin Meezan**, VP of Sustainability, Interface, Inc.; **Jane Harrison**, co-founder, PITCHAfrica/Waterbank Schools; **Dawn Danby**, Senior Sustainable Design Program Manager, Autodesk, Inc.

Change the Story: New Strategies for Shifting Culture

Storytelling is an ancient, powerful human expression. Today advertisers and public relations flacks exploit the power of story to deceive and desensitize. How can we reclaim the power of story and design more effective "story-based strategies" for a better world? Join the Center for Story-Based Strategy (formerly smartMeme) in an interactive session on applying a "narrative power analysis" and transformational stories from grassroots movements. With: **Patrick Reinsborough** and **Christine Cordero**. (Interactive, experiential)

Eco-Governance

What does governance look like when it aligns with the ground truths of nature? How does culture change? What models exist? Hosted by **Kirsten Schwind**, co-founder/Director of Bay Localize. With: **Jessie Lerner**, Executive Director, Sustain Dane in Madison, Wisconsin, a state with eco-municipalities based on Sweden's model; **Trathen Heckman**, Board President, Transition U.S., founder of Daily Acts; other speaker to be announced.

Regeneration: Women of Color Healing through Nature, Art, Ritual, and Community

Very diverse women of color in Bay Area urban communities are drawing from their connection to Earth in highly creative ways to move toward personal and community healing and

empowerment. Hosted by **J. Phoenix Smith**, Director, Back to Earth Outdoors, Orisha priestess. With: **Catherine Herrera**, Ohlone artist, filmmaker; **Mira Manickam**, environmental educator, multimedia artist, author; **Brandi Mack**, youth worker, gardener.

Leveraging Donor Activism: Philanthropy's Leading Edges

How are donors leveraging effective change beyond traditional pathways and norms? From shareholder activism to investment strategies and disinvestment campaigns, explore how foundations can be reshaped to be far more effective. Hosted by **Jen Sokolove**, Program Director, Compton Foundation. With: Lauren Embrey, President/CEO, Embrey Family Foundation; **Tom Van Dyck**, Senior Vice President and Financial Consultant, SRI Wealth Management Group at RBC Wealth Management; **Donna Hall**, CEO, Women Donors Network; **Kristin Hull**, CEO, Nia Global Solutions.

Public Power To Counteract Climate Challenges and Corporate Control

Bold strategies by publicly owned utilities in communities such as Austin, Santa Fe and Marin County are challenging private energy monopolies and transitioning off fossil-fuel dependence. Hosted by **Mariel Nanasi**, Executive Director/President, New Energy Economy. With: **Karl Rábago**, Executive Director, Pace University School of Law Energy and Climate Center, former VP of Distributed Energy for Austin's community-owned electric utility; **Dawn Weisz**, Executive Officer, Marin Clean Energy, which launched California's first Community Choice Aggregation program.

Indigenous Forum. Pre-contact Pueblo Diet Experience and Pueblo TEK Design Principles

Hosted by **Cara Romero** (Chemehuevi), Bioneers Indigenous Knowledge Program Director. With: **Roxanne Swentzell** (Santa Clara Pueblo), Flowering Tree Permaculture Institute, screening The Pueblo Diet Experience film about Native Americans in a 3-month "pre-contact" diet health experiment yielding striking benefits from ancestral foods; **Kaylena Bray** (Seneca), Native Foodways Coordinator, The Cultural Conservancy, Program Director at California Indian Environmental Alliance, on how to "decolonize" how we eat by integrating traditional foods into modern diets.

"I love Bioneers! I come because I learn so much and draw on it all year long. I also come to Bioneers to see friends and network and do movement building because this is the place to make it happen."

– ANNIE LEONARD, PRODUCER/ DIRECTOR "THE STORY OF STUFF" FILM; EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GREENPEACE USA

Youth Leadership: Fossil Fuel Divestment

Students across the U.S. are mobilizing against climate disruption, demanding their institutions divest from fossil fuels and invest in sustainability. Learn resources, strategies and opportunities for young activists to engage with the fossil fuel divestment campaign. With: **Chloe Maxmin** and **Arielle Klagsbrun**, Brower Youth Award-winning leading climate activists.

Leadership Lessons from the Living Earth

Join this experiential session to meet mentors from the natural world and discover biomimicry-based leadership practices grown from life's operating principles. With: **Toby Herzlich**, founder, Biomimicry for Social Innovation. (Interactive, experiential)

Council. Cultivating 21st Century Earth Stewardship in a Power-Imbalanced World: Global Citizens, First Peoples & Spaceship Earth

Rooted in the wisdom traditions and best practices of First Peoples and the planetary perspective of global citizens, we explore models and practices of living reciprocally as if our lives depended on it. With: **Ilarion Merculieff**, Aleut traditional messenger; **Sharon Shay Sloan**, council trainer and community steward. (Interactive/Experiential)

Networking

Educators' Meet-up by the lake.

FRIDAY EVENING

CAROLINE CASEY WITH CLIMBING POETREE – Performance

Democratic Animism Now! Assuming Cultural Narrative Lead. In cahoots with flora and fauna, let us cultivate, animate, magnetize and spiral forth into the memosphere the irresistible invitational guiding narrative. Mytho-politico astrologer trickster **Caroline Casey** cavorts with fellow wordsmiths/musicians Climbing PoeTree's **Alixa Garcia** and **Naima Penniman**.

FILMS: 7:00-10:30pm. With filmmakers.

The Hadza: Last of the First

This acclaimed film by **Bill** and **Laurie Benenson** (Dirt! The Movie) looks at human origins in Africa's Rift Valley, where one of the world's last remaining hunter-gatherer groups, the Hadza, have lived sustainably for 50,000 years. It presents intriguing theories about Homo sapiens' evolution and origin, and the delicate balance of human aggression and cooperation at our core. With: the **Hadza**, **Jane Goodall**, **Richard Wrangham** (author of Catching Fire) and **Wangari Maathai**. (70 mins)

Amazon Gold

This disturbing account of a clandestine journey bears witness to the apocalyptic destruction of the rainforest in pursuit of illegally mined gold and its impact on indigenous peoples in the Amazon. Narrated by Academy Award winners Sissy Spacek and Herbie Hancock. Directed by Reuben Aaronson, Produced by **Sarah Dupont** and **James Cavello**, with Executive Producer **Nicolas Ibarguen**. (53 mins)
The Summer of Gods. A troubled girl unites with her Afro-Brazilian religious ancestry on a summer visit with family to their ancestral village in rural Brazil. This mystical adventure through a nearby forest initiates her into her grandmother's spiritual traditions. Directed by **Eliciana Nascimento**. (20 mins)

SATURDAY OCTOBER 18TH

KEYNOTES & PERFORMANCES: 9AM-1PM

DRUMMING by **Deb Lane** and **Afia Walking Tree**

OPENING REMARKS by **Kenny Ausubel** & **Nina Simons**, Bioneers Founders

NAOMI KLEIN
This Changes Everything: Capitalism v. the Climate

Introduction by Kenny Ausubel

The award-winning Canadian journalist, international activist and best-selling author (The Shock Doctrine, No Logo) depicts climate change as more than an "issue." It's a civilizational wake-up call delivered in the language of fires, floods, storms and droughts. It demands that we challenge the dominant economic policies of deregulated capitalism and endless resource extraction. Climate change is also the most powerful weapon in the fight for equality and social justice, and real solutions are emerging from the rubble of our failing systems.

CLAYTON THOMAS-MULLER
The Rise of the Canadian Native Rights-Based Movement to Protect Our Commons

Introduction by Nina Simons

Clayton Thomas-Muller, a leading organizer for Idle No More and Defenders of the Land, and a Co-Director of Polaris Institute's Indigenous Tar Sands Campaign, portrays Canada's rising Native-led rights-based movement, supported by labor, civil society, students and other grassroots groups. This powerful movement is challenging the neo-liberal free market agenda that has turned Canada into a petro-state. It may be our last best effort save our lands and the health of our people from the extractive industries and the banks that finance them.

CLIMBING POETREE: ALIXA GARCIA & NAIMA PENNIMAN

This award-winning, boundary-breaking spoken word duo rocks the house.

JOHN WARNER
Green Chemistry: Biomimicry and Molecular Psychology

Introduction by Kenny Ausubel

It's time to create the green molecular building blocks that make green technology truly clean, from raw materials and production to social justice. World-renowned green chemist John Warner illustrates how we can create a new generation of biomimetic and green molecular building blocks to help us reach the "world we want." A founder of Green Chemistry, he has published over 200 patents, papers and books. He's founder, President and Chief Technology Officer of Warner Babcock Institute for Green Chemistry, and co-founder of Beyond Benign, a nonprofit for sustainability and green chemistry education.

CHLOE MAXMIN- Youth Leadership Lessons from the Grassroots Climate Movement

An activist since age 12, Chloe co-founded Divest Harvard to pressure her college to disinvest from fossil fuel holdings, gaining international recognition for her effective activism.

DESTINY ARTS YOUTH PERFORMANCE COMPANY

ROBIN KIMMERER
Mishkos Kenomagwen: The Teachings of Grass

Introduction by Melissa Nelson, The Cultural Conservancy

Indigenous peoples worldwide honor plants, not only as our sustainers, but as our oldest teachers who share teachings of generosity, creativity, sustainability and joy. By their living examples, plants spur our imaginations of how we might live. By braiding indigenous Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) with modern tools of botanical science, Robin Kimmerer, professor of Environmental Science and Forestry of Potawatomi ancestry, explores the question: "If plants are our teachers, what are their lessons, and how might we become better students"?

JEFFREY BRONFMAN
The Botanical Dimension of Our Human Evolutionary Next Steps

Introduction by Kenny Ausubel

The use of plants as food, medicine and construction material for human habitat is apparent to all, but the essential role certain plants play in human spiritual evolution is not well understood. Jeffrey Bronfman, an environmentalist, educator and founding member of Bioneers, has encountered the use of plants within numerous spiritual, ceremonial and religious contexts throughout the Western Hemisphere. He explores the vital role certain plants have in the development of human awareness at this critical moment in the state of the biosphere and our evolution as human beings.

TIM MERRY

Slam Poet Harvester, weaves morning highlights into bardic mischief.

SATURDAY LUNCHTIME – 1:00-2:30PM

Indigenous Forum. ALOHA (Applied Hawaiian Philosophy). Native Hawaiian visionary elder **Pua Nani Mahoe** shares Hawaii's unique collective cultural wisdom and traditional philosophies of land, water, spirit and "Aloha" teachings. Learn about malama aina—how to take care of the land, water, community, spirit and self, as they take care of you; and how to weave the Aloha Spirit into your life.

PERFORMANCES on outdoor Sun Stage: TBA

SATURDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS—2:45-4:15PM

Intelligence in Nature: The Vegetable Mind. Contemporary science is validating traditional knowledge about the vast pervasive intelligence in nature, and in plants in particular. What is intelligence? How do we learn nature's languages? Hosted by **Melissa K. Nelson**, President, The Cultural Conservancy. With: **Robin Kimmerer**, Director, Center for Native Peoples and the Environment at SUNY-ESF; **Monica Gagliano**, renowned Australian marine biologist and evolutionary ecologist whose research **Michael Pollan** reported in the New Yorker.

The Frontlines of Greening Educational Systems: Achieving Environmental Literacy for All

Schools, colleges, and universities can become community models for sustainability, inspiring innovation and teaching environmental literacy for the next generation. Learn from leaders and practitioners how to achieve political, financial, and student success. Hosted by **Deborah Moore**, founder, Green Schools Initiative. With: **David Orr**, renowned eco-educator and author, Senior Adviser to the President of Oberlin College; **Jennifer Seydel**, COO/CFO, Green Schools National Network; **Nik Kaestner**, Sustainability Coordinator, and Elishama Goldfarb, Environmental Literacy Specialist, San Francisco Unified School District.

Science Fiction Envisions the World We Want

Bioneers Associate Producer **J.P. Harpignies** interviews **Kim Stanley Robinson**, among our most celebrated, award-winning science-fiction writers and the most ecologically conscious. The author of many classic works including the seminal *Mars and Three Californias* trilogies explores such topics as: how "eco-futurist fiction" seeks to identify today's most important trends; the power of dystopian and utopian memes; and how science fiction can contribute to helping us shape a desirable tomorrow.

Citizen Science: DIY Knowledge To and From the People

Activists, scientists and grassroots groups are leveraging new technology and collaborative networks to accurately monitor the quality of the environment, expose governmental and corporate abuses, and enable large-scale ecological research to understand the web of life in the age of climate disruption. Hosted by **Teo Grossman**, Bioneers Director of Strategic Network Initiatives. With: **Severine v T Fleming**, Farm Hack; **Shannon Dosemagen**, founder/President, New Orleans-based Public Laboratory for Open Technology and Science; **Brian Haggerty**, co-designer, USA National Phenology Network, a multisectoral climate change research program using citizen scientists to monitor seasonal behavior of U.S. flora and fauna.

ONGOING YOUTH PROGRAMS, FRIDAY–SUNDAY

WISER TOGETHER CAFÉ: PARTNERING ACROSS GENERATIONS

These interactive sessions offer facilitated intergenerational dialogue on themes emerging from the conference.

SINGING TREE COLLECTIVE MURAL PROJECT

This youth-led collaborative mural project invites everyone to create her/his own messages celebrating the Earth, unity and peace. Led by artist Laurie Marshall.

DIGITAL STORYTELLING

Synergia Learning Ventures' Finding the Good Program brings its Mobile Interactive Classroom in which youth blog about their Bioneers experience in the computer lab, film interviews with speakers, and participate in the "Eyes of the Future" Project." With Tom and Debra Weistar.

Toward a Nontoxic Industry and Economy

What would a nontoxic industrial economy look like, and how do we get there? From green chemistry and biomimicry to mobilizing women and challenging corporate power, innovators are connecting the clean technology space with social movements. With: **John Warner**, co-founder of Green Chemistry; **Erin Switalski**, Executive Director, Women's Voices for the Earth; **Jeanne Rizzo**, President/CEO, Breast Cancer Fund, founder Cancer-Free Economy project.

Food Literacy as a Catalyst for Social Change

Breakthrough food literacy initiatives are transforming communities, bringing people together in meaningful conversations. Learn how to design an effective food literacy program for your community, organization or school. With: **Kirk Bergstrom**, Executive Director, Nourish Initiative; **Elaina Ortiz**, US Navy Food Literacy Program; other speaker to be announced.

Building Power from the Rubble: How Frontline Communities in El Salvador Are Creating Resilience to Climate Disasters

A movement of rural communities in El Salvador called La Coordinadora has led the way in community-based disaster preparedness, building a grassroots democracy movement, and influencing national policy. It's featured in the new film and book This Changes Everything by **Naomi Klein** and **Avi Lewis**. Hosted by **Mariel Nanasi**, Executive Director/President, New Energy Economy. With: **Estela Hernández**, El Salvadoran Congresswoman; **Karolo Aparicio**, Executive Director, EcoViva, La Coordinadora's U.S. sister organization; **Avi Lewis**, filmmaker, director of This Changes Everything.

Indigenous Forum. Native Cultural Appropriation

Inaccurate and offensive depictions of Native American culture abound. This forum examines representations of Native peoples, stereotypes, and cultural appropriation. Hosted by **Cara Romero** (Chemehuevi), Bioneers Indigenous Knowledge Program Director. With: **Cannupa Hanska Luger** (Mandan-Hidatsa-Arikara-Lakota) and **Ginger Dunnill** (Hawaiian), who create art and film revealing misconceptions and literally destroying painful pop culture stereotypes; **Andrew Jolivette** (Apelousa-Atakapa-Ishak), Chair of American Indian Studies, San Francisco State.

Youth Leadership: Map Your Future

How is your community vulnerable to climate disruption? Learn how to assess local vulnerabilities and assets and develop a career building community resilience. Learn how to use a Community Climate Assessment Tool, work with planners, and take concrete steps to build resilience in your community. Led by Bay Localize: Colin Miller, Program Manager; Corrine L. Van Hook, Communications/Outreach Manager; **Maiha McGee**, Youth Intern/Advisor. Cultivating Women's Leadership (CWL) Alumnae Reunion & Sampler. Experience a taste of the personal deep dive into purposeful engaged action and leadership from the inside out that CWL offers. Connect with great women from past trainings while cross-pollinating and savoring the field we co-create. With CWL founders and faculty: Nina Simons, **Toby Herzlich**, **Rachel Bagby**, **Sarah Crowell**. (Interactive, experiential)

Council. Honoring the Sacred Feminine and Sacred Masculine: Partnership in Women's & Men's Leadership, From the Inside Out

Together in this double-session council, fellow bioneers explore the emerging paradigms of both women's and men's leadership and the application of sacred "masculine" and sacred "feminine" principles. With: **Ilarion Merculieff**, Aleut traditional messenger; **Sharon Shay Sloan**, council trainer and community steward. (Interactive, experiential)

Wiser Together Open Space Technology

How can we leverage our collective intelligence, share our visions and move towards wise action? Participants make the agenda on topics, co-creating an empowering learning environment of self-managed conversation groups. With: **David Shaw**, Common Ground Center, UCSC; Dana Pearlman, The

Lotus, Global Leadership Lab. (double session: 2:45pm-6pm)

Herbwalk
with herbalist Autumn Summers

SATURDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS—4:30-6:00PM

Plant Sacraments and the Mind of Nature
Can entheogenic plants help people access the intelligence in nature—the "mind of nature"—that we must learn to understand in order to supersede our ecologically destructive habits? Hosted by **J.P. Harpignies**, Bioneers Associate Producer. With: **Jeffrey Bronfman**, founding member of the União do Vegetal church of the United States; **Paul Stamets**, master mycologist; **Katsi Cook**, renowned Mohawk midwife and environmental activist.

Movement Building I: Convergence
Can the global convergence of disparate movements gain the traction necessary to overcome the concentration of wealth and power driving the destruction of civilization and nature? How? Hosted by **Carleen Pickard**, Executive Director, Global Exchange. With: **Naomi Klein** author, filmmaker, activist; **Clayton Thomas-Müller**, indigenous rights leader and movement builder; **Joel Solomon**, President, Renewal Partners and Chairman, Renewal Funds, founding member of Social Venture Network and Tides Foundation of Canada.

Woman and Nature: The Shadow and The Promise
Explore with a multicultural circle of women the upsides and downsides of the deep, ancient association of women and "the feminine" with nature, and how a re-integration of the feminine principle into our culture may best serve us today. Hosted by **Starhawk**, renowned author, educator, activist, Permaculturist. With: **Rachel Bagby**, singer, author, farmer, facilitator; **Clare Dakin**, Executive Director, Tree Sisters; **Pat McCabe** (Woman Stands Shining), Diné (Navajo) artist/activist; **Sasha Houston Brown** (Dakota/Santee Sioux Tribe, Nebraska), Director of Education at Little Earth of United Tribes; **Lisa Anderson**, Director of Women's Multifaith Education, Auburn Theological Seminary.

"It was a great opportunity for me to join hands with the larger community that wants to do the same work my Tribal people – Coast Miwok and Southern Pomo – have been doing for eons."

– GREG SARRIS, CHAIRMAN, FEDERATED INDIANS OF GRATON RANCHERIA

Restorative Justice, Healing Justice
A new form of justice seeks to heal and cares more about broken lives than broken laws. It's capable of pushing back the "New Jim Crow" of mass incarceration and the school-to-prison pipeline. Hosted by **J. Miakoda Taylor**, founder, Fierce Allies. With: **Fania Davis**, founder/Executive Director, Restorative Justice for Oakland Youth; **Ericka Huggins**, professor of Sociology and African-American Studies at Laney and Merritt Colleges; other speaker to be announced.

Banking CRII—Breaking Up Is Hard To Do
Nothing much has been done to correct the systemic causes of the 2008 banking bankruptcy "crisis." Too big to fail has meant too big to jail, but next time it may be too big to bail out. Learn about initiatives to break up the big banks and deconstruct their concentration of wealth and political power. Hosted by **Susan Estep**, recovering Wall St. trader, portfolio manager; Bartlett Naylor, Financial Policy Advocate, Public Citizen; other speaker to be determined.

Is Earth Full? Holistic Population Solutions in a Growing World
By 2050, there will be 9 billion people. The good news is there are empowering population initiatives around the world improving lives and protecting the environment. Hosted by **Suzanne York**, Program Director/Senior Writer, Institute for Population Studies. With: **Shannon Biggs**, Director of Community Rights, Global Exchange; **Rucha Chitnis**, India Program Director, Women's Earth Alliance; **William Ryerson**, founder/President, Population Media Center.

Watering Down: Water Management Strategies for Climate Change
Proven climate change mitigation strategies sequester CO_2 in soils and plants, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and build ecological and economic resilience in local landscapes. From rangeland to metropolis, these brilliant innovators are watering down. Hosted by: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX, XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXX ORGA-

NIZATION NAME HERE. With: **Andy Lipkis**, founder/President, TreePeople, biomimicking forest watersheds for climate-resilient cities and water supplies; **Courtney White**, co-founder, Quivira Coalition, building bridges among ranchers, conservationists, public land managers, scientists and citizens for economic and ecological resilience on working landscapes; **Sarah Newkirk**, Coastal Project Director, Nature Conservancy, developing natural infrastructure solutions for coastal resilience.

Indigenous Forum. Dollars and Sense in Indian Country and Beyond: Expanding Indigenous Philanthropy

This session challenges the paucity of funding for indigenous-led initiatives of preservation, conservation and revitalization in Indian Country and globally (.5% of foundation funding), illustrating how Native-led organizations are innovating with inter-tribal re-granting. Hosted by **Melissa Nelson** (Anishinaabe), founder, Mino-Niibi Fund for Indigenous Cultures of The Cultural Conservancy. With: **Tia Oros-Peters** (Zuni Pueblo), Seventh Generation Fund; **China Ching** (Hawaiian), Christensen Fund; **Oren Lyons** (Onandaga), indigenous rights leader; **Evelyn Arce** (Chibcha), International Funders for Indigenous Peoples.

Youth Poetry Slam

Young poets perform original work and compete for prizes determined by the audience. Hosted by **Aaron Ableman**, producer of Pacha's Pajamas, an ecological musical for children.

Duality Is Reciprocal: Integrating the Feminine-Masculine Powers Within

Until we heal the separation between the feminine and masculine, the world will not come into balance. We explore this duality, and ask ourselves if we've been asking the wrong questions and holding incorrect images, attitudes and beliefs about the feminine-masculine polarity. With: **Pele Rouge Chadima**, **Lana Holmes** and **FireHawk Hulin**, Co-Founders, Timeless Earth Wisdom, Inc. (Interactive, experiential)

Council. Honoring the Sacred Feminine and Sacred Masculine: Partnership in Women's & Men's Leadership, from the Inside Out

(See 2:45pm) (Interactive, experiential)

Wiser Together Open Space Technology

(See 2:45pm)

SATURDAY NIGHT 6:30PM

The Seed Exchange

Preserve biodiversity and learn from seed masters. Hosted by: Occidental Arts and Ecology Center, Tesuque Pueblo Farm, Richmond Grows Seed Lending Library, Living Seed Company, Sustainable Seed Company.

BIONEERS 25TH BIRTHDAY DINNER

Join **Nina**, **Kenny** and the bioneers for a celebration of Bioneers' 25th birthday with an amazing organic, biodiverse gourmet meal by renowned Native American chef **Lois Ellen Frank**. Space is extremely limited. First come, first served. Pay it forward by buying an extra ticket for a worthy change-maker, young farmer or low-income attendee. Or sponsor a whole table!

7:00-10:30PM

FILMS – With Filmmakers

DYING TO KNOW

After two Harvard professors began probing the edges of consciousness in the '60s, Timothy Leary ended up in jail while Richard Alpert became **Ram Dass**, spiritual teacher. Directed by Bioneers Board member **Gay Dillingham** and narrated by **Robert Redford**, the film features rare interviews spanning 50 years in an intimate portrait of an epic friendship that shaped a generation. It invites us to ponder questions about life, drugs and the biggest mystery of all: death. (95 minutes)

FILM to be announced.

9:30PM - MIDNIGHT

Dance Party with DJ Dragonfly.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 19TH

KEYNOTES AND PERFORMANCES: 9:00AM-1PM

DRUMMING by **Deb Lane** & **Afia Walking Tree**
WELCOME by **Nina Simons** & **Kenny Ausubel**
OPENING by **Rachel Bagby**, singer

KRISTEN SHEERAN
Scaling Solutions for Social Change

*Introduction by **Alisa Gravitz**, Green America*

In this age of unprecedented global challenges—and innovations—the world can't wait for solutions to emerge piecemeal over time. We need to get better, faster and more innovative in scaling up existing solutions. Economist Kristen Sheeran illuminates groundbreaking collaborative efforts to create new approaches to social innovation, harnessing cutting-edge digital technologies for the rapid sharing, processing and managing of knowledge. She's VP of Knowledge Systems at Ecotrust, the Pacific Northwest's groundbreaking think tank and green economy incubator.

PATRICIA GUALINGA
Message from the Amazon

The courageous Kichwa leader from the Ecuadorian Amazon joins Amazon Watch and Pachamama Alliance with an urgent report from the front lines of protecting the lungs of the planet where women's leadership is rising.

JOHN A. POWELL
Beloved Community: Interbeing, Race, Class and Person 'Hood

Introduction by Connie Cagampang Heller, Linked Fate Fund for Justice

As humanity faces global environmental and social collapse, our fear of the "Other" can be magnified by unstable contracting economies, radically shifting demographics, and new social norms. Can humanity overcome these divisions and come together to protect our common home? john a. powell, a nationally respected voice on race and ethnicity, leads UC Berkeley's Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society, holds the Robert D. Haas Chancellor's Chair in Equity and Inclusion, serves on the UC Berkeley School of Law faculty, and is author of Racing to Justice.

PERFORMANCE: ALIXA GARCIA

of Climbing PoeTree

MANUEL PASTOR
Transactions, Transformations, Translations: Movement-Building for the Next America

*Introduction by **Rachel Morello-Frosch**, Professor of Environmental Health, UC Berkeley*

Facing rapidly changing demographics, growing inequality and increased political polarization in the U.S., movement builders are grappling with creating new cross-generational ties and a new understanding of the relationship between equity and economic growth. How do we build movements based on vision and values, not interests and transactions? **Manuel Pastor** is Professor of American Studies & Ethnicity at USC, and founding Director of the Center for Justice, Tolerance, and Community at UC, Santa Cruz. He directs the USC Program for Environmental and Regional Equity, and co-directs USC's Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration.

ARIELLE KLAGSBRUN—Youth Leadership
Why People Need to Get Arrested: The climate crisis requires bold action

A leader of the "Take Back Saint Louis" campaign to remove tax incentives to corporations profiting from climate change explores how to defeat the fossil fuel extraction industry.

WALLACE "J." NICHOLS
I Wish You Water

*Introduction by **Kenny Ausubel***

The cognitive and emotional benefits of healthy oceans and waterways have been celebrated through art, song, romance and poetry throughout human history. Marine biologist, activist, community organizer, and author Wallace J. Nichols will dive deeper and explore our blue minds through the dual lenses of evolutionary biology and cognitive science, reminding us that we are water.

TERRY TEMPEST WILLIAMS
A Love That Is Wild: Why Wilderness Matters in the 21st Century

*Introduction by **Nina Simons***

What might a different kind of power look and feel like, and can power be redistributed equitably, even beyond our own species? Con-

servationist, activist, and one of the nation's most beloved and acclaimed authors, Terry Tempest Williams has been called "a citizen writer" who speaks eloquently for an ethical stance toward life, showing how environmental issues are social issues that become matters of justice. A scholar at the University of Utah and Dartmouth, she has been equally at home camping in the wilderness and being arrested for civil disobedience.

TIM MERRY

The Slam Poet Harvester wraps it all up in bardic verse.

CLOSING

With **Kenny Ausubel** & **Nina Simons**

CLOSING PERFORMANCE

By XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

LUNCHTIME – 1:15-2:30PM

Native Youth Talking Circle

Hosted by **Cara Romero** (Chemehuevi); Tom Goldtooth (Dine'/Dakota), Executive Director of Indigenous Environmental Network; **Xiuhtezcatl Martinez** (Aztec).

Citizen Science Ecology Walk

Participate in national climate change research by observing the seasons and tracking nature's pulse. With **Brian Haggerty**, California Phenology Project, USA National Phenology Network.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSIONS—2:45-4:15PM

Eco-Regional Design: Place Is the Space

How do we align political governance with ecological realities rooted in watersheds, foodsheds, culturesheds and regional economies? Hosted by: **Kirsten Schwind**, Bay Localize. With: **Kristen Sheeran**, Ecotrust, co-founder/Director, Economics for Equity and Environment Network; **David Orr**, Distinguished Professor of Environmental Studies and Politics at Oberlin College; **Louise Bedsworth**, Deputy Director, California Governor's Office of Planning and Research; Greg Watson, Massachusetts Commissioner of Agriculture.

Movement Building II—All Together Now: Stand Up, Build Justice, Cool the Globe

How do we move from disconnected, fearful individuals to connected, collective agents of change? What are the relationships among concentrated corporate power, lack of government oversight, and fractured social movements? How can each of us step up to build justice and cool the globe? Hosted by **Connie Cagampang Heller**, co-founder, Linked Fate Fund for Justice. With: **john a. powell**, Director, UC Berkeley's Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society; **Lindsey Allen**, Acting Executive Director, Rainforest Action Network; **Manuel Pastor**, Director, USC Program for Environmental and Regional Equity; Christina Livingston, Executive Director, Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment.

Resilient Landscapes, Climate-Smart Conservation: The Art and Science of Restoring the World We Want

Learn how insights from avian, aquatic and terrestrial science can help us recreate resilient land and seascapes. Hosted by **Mary Ellen Hannibal**, award-winning author of The Spine of the Continent: The Race to Save America's Last, Best Wilderness. With: Ellie Cohen, President/CEO, Point Blue Conservation Science, focused on nature-based, climate-smart conservation solutions; **Robin Grossinger**, historical ecologist who directs the "Resilient Landscapes" project at the San Francisco Estuary Institute, guiding adaptive landscape-level restoration strategies in California.

Feminomics: Reinventing Economics That Work for All of Life

By integrating a gender lens with nature's principles, indigenous models, and valuing the wellbeing of people and planet, women (and men) are creating new visions for finance, business, economics and culture to turn the tide toward a life-affirming and equitable economy. Hosted by **Alisa Gravitz**, Executive Director, Green America. With: **Katherine Collins**, founder and CEO, Honeybee Capital, author of The Nature of Investing; Neva Morrison, formerly of First Peoples Worldwide; **Nikki Silvestri**, CEO, Green for All; Charles Eisenstein, author of Sacred Economics.

Labeling GMOs: Lessons Learned and Next Steps

GMO labeling initiatives in California and Washington State lost narrowly because a powerful alliance of Big Ag and Big Food spent millions to confuse the public. Find out how you can join the national campaign for your "Right to Know." Hosted by Arty Mangan, Bioneers Food and Farming Director. With: **John Roulac**, founder/CEO, Nutiva; **Stacy Malkan**, a leader of the California and Washington GMO labeling campaigns; **Gopal Dayaneni**, Movement Generation *Planning Committee Member.*

Gender, Sexual Health and Culture Change

How might new and ancient understandings

about gender from diverse cultural and generational perspectives inform our cultural reinvention? How is sexual health key to the vitality and resilience of our societies and all people? Hosted by **Lana Holmes**, co-founder, Timeless Earth Wisdom, Inc. With: **Pat McCabe** (Woman Stands Shining), Dine (Navajo) artist/activist; Jhos Singer, a transgender Maggid (Jewish preacher) serving Jewish community centers in San Francisco and Half Moon Bay; **Jessica Danforth**, founder and Executive Director, Native Youth Sexual Health Network; **Sonj Basha**, an Oakland-based activist working to ensure the inclusion of gender non-conforming and transgender identities in institutions of higher education.

Your Brain On Water

Hosted by marine biologist **Wallace "J." Nichols**, research associate, California Academy of Sciences; co-founder, OceanRevolution.org; author of Blue Mind. New ways of understanding our relationship with the world's oceans and the ability of healthy waters to provide health, happiness and creativity will be considered by a panel of athletes, scientists, artists, and adventurers. Participants to be announced.

Indigenous Forum. The Eagle and the Condor: Indigenous Women on the North-South Frontlines of Earth Protection (I)

(Double session). This indigenous North-South cultural exchange builds bridges and solidarity among North-South indigenous people and their allies. Courageous indigenous leader **Patricia Gualinga** (Kichwa) from the Ecuadorian Amazon joins Amazon Watch and Pachamama Alliance with an urgent report from the rainforest front lines where indigenous women are stepping into leadership to defend the rights of Mother Earth (Pachamama) and their peoples, and to protect the Amazon from oil concessions.

Walking Your Talk in the World: Exploring Embodied Transformation

Come discover the patterns that "walk us," harvest your natural knowing, and embody your goals for global renewal. With **Suki Munsell**. Interactive/Experiential

Youth Leadership: Community of Mentors Peer-to-Peer Council

Facilitated by **Lauren Dalberth Hage** and **Dave Hage** of Weaving Earth. Join your peers to explore your Bioneers experience.

Ruthless Compassion, Penetrating Honesty, Fierce Ally-Ship

Join **J. Miakoda Taylor**, founding Director of Fierce Allies, a training program that fosters meaningful partnerships across divides of power and privilege, to engage in difficult but powerfully productive conversations to learn how to transcend obstacles to power sharing across differences. (Interactive, experiential)

Council. The World We Want & How We Get There: Cultivating Presence—When the Heart Speaks, The World Listens

Join fellow bioneers to explore the power of the inner life and share our visions and aspirations for the world we want and how we might get there. With: **Ilarion Merculieff**, Aleut traditional messenger; **Sharon Shay Sloan**, council trainer and community steward. *(Interactive/Experiential)*

Wiser Together Café: Creating Tomorrow Together, Gathering Collective Wisdom to Turn Vision into Action

The Café provides hospitable space for group dialogues, integration of and reflection on what emerges at the conference, and building personal and professional partnerships. With: **David Shaw**, Common Ground Center, UCSC; **Dana Pearlman**, The Lotus, Global Leadership Lab.

AFTERNOON SESSIONS—4:30-6PM

Indigenous Forum. The Eagle and the Condor: Indigenous Women on the North-South Frontlines of Earth Protection (II)

*(See 2:45 pm). Hosted by **Tom Goldtooth** (Dine'/Dakota) of the Indigenous Environmental Network.*

With indigenous women from the North: **Casey Camp** (Ponca), elder indigenous rights activist and actress, on historical impacts of oil development in Oklahoma and current threats from pipelines from the Canadian Tar Sands; **Faith Gimmel** (Gwich'in), of REDOIL (Resisting Environmental Destruction On Indigenous Lands), on the history of oil and gas development in Alaska and expansion plans for offshore drilling.

Marin County-The Past 50 and the Next 50 Years: Successes and Challenges

Leading figures from the county discuss Marin's extraordinary, cutting-edge environmental and agricultural sustainability accomplishments as well as its current challenges and exciting opportunities for the future. Participants to be announced.

Bioners Resilient Communities Network (RCN) Reception

Learn about the Bioneers RCN program and connect with the organizers to see if you want to bring it to your community.

Mixer and Networking Reception

SCHOLARSHIPS
Pay It Forward to Grow the Movement

The John Mohawk Scholarship Fund

I see funding youth scholarships as a powerful investment in the next generation of visionaries. Their lives are changed, their own potential for visionary leadership catalyzed and empowered. I love being able to help make this possible.

– SHAINA NOLL, PORT TOWNSEND, WA

"Life-changing." That's what we hear constantly from our electrified conference scholarship recipients: diverse young and emerging leaders, educators, students, community leaders, activists, and low-income change-makers who can participate only because of your financial support.

Growing the movement means having the right people in the room. As a community of leadership committed to diversity and inclusion, we cannot afford not to have their voices and presence at this life-changing gathering. With your financial support, they'll be there.

In 2013, you helped bring hundreds of full and partial scholarships from all over the country, including 50 for indigenous youth. We also thank Southern California Edison Community Giving Program and the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians for their generous support.

Let's set a new record and pay it forward to grow this community of leadership with the power of 500 scholarships!

- **YOUTH** will engage for the full three days in skill sharing, leadership development, interactive workshops, networking and project collaborations.
- **EDUCATORS** and **STUDENTS** will access critically needed sustainability materials and peer-to-peer learning for how to integrate them into annual lesson plans and education for action.
- **INDIGENOUS** recipients will connect with leaders, youth and elders from tribal nations all over the country and world, and network with countless non-Native allies to grow the movement.
- **WOMEN** of diverse backgrounds and generations will connect with other women and male allies to enlarge their vision and capacity as environmental and social justice leaders.
- **ELDERS** will interact engage in co-mentoring relationships with young leaders that last well beyond the conference.

We urge you to join us now in growing the movement by investing generously in the diversity and inclusion of the Bioneers community. Your gift will not only change lives, it may change the course of history.

Thank you for providing a forum for youth of color. You created a space to discuss this and even had speakers talk about the tension between environmental justice and racial and class inequalities. It made the conference more accessible to the youth.

-- BRIAN KATZ, EDUCATOR AT DESERT MIRAGE HIGH SCHOOL, COACHELLA VALLEY, CA

Your gift of $500 will fund participation, food and travel for the average scholarship recipient. Help us raise a total of $250,000 to fully fund all scholarship recipients.

For new donors, the Pond Foundation has offered a matching grant of $25,000. Your scholarship gift will leverage $25,000 into $50,000 in scholarships for 100 grateful recipients!

To make your tax-deductible gift:

John Mohawk Bioneers Conference Scholarship Fund
visit: scholarships.bioneers.org
or call 1-877-BIONEER

PRICING AND REGISTRATION

For your convenience, we have simplified the conference pricing structure and registration process. We offer only two simple tiers of pricing this year: Early Registration and Late Registration. No more confusion about fluctuating price points between now and the conference – everything is upfront and straightforward, allowing attendees to register in advance and book travel early.

Early registration entitles attendees to special pre-order pricing on the 2014 Bioneers keynotes DVD set, as well as other media 'Collections' that we'll be releasing this year!

ALL-DAY PASSES Watch Keynote talks and performances, 9am – 1pm (with mid-morning break) within the 2,000 seat Marin Center Veteran's Memorial Auditorium. This venue is a traditional auditorium with theater-style, padded seating and the speaker is on a center stage. Seating is unassigned. Dress is casual but the VMA atmosphere is formal and does not allow for food, beverage or noise.

KEYNOTE PASSES include access to morning Keynotes/Plenary Sessions and afternoon Breakouts, Panels, Workshops & Activities. Online Keynote Pass registration is available through October 10th, 2014.

3-day Pass: $395 | $475 after Sep 8th
2-day Pass: $325 | $410 after Sep 8th
1-day Pass: $175 | $225 after Sep 8th

HALF-DAY PASSES Half-day passes permit access to Breakouts, Panels, Workshops & Activities after 1:30pm on individual days.

Half-Day Pass – each day: $60 | $75 after Sep 8th

GROUP PASSES If you self-register 6 (six) or more people as a general Group, you will receive a 20% discount off the standard 1, 2, and 3-Day Pass options. General Group Registration is available through September 30, 2014.

STUDENT, EDUCATOR, SENIOR RATES Bioneers offers special conference advanced registration rates to individual Students, Educators and Seniors with proof of qualification:

Students, age 14 – 24, with valid school issued ID
Educators with valid institution issued faculty ID
Seniors, age 62+, with valid government issued ID

SES REGISTRATION RATES:

$275 3-Day Conference Pass
$200 2-Day Conference Pass
$105 1-Day Conference Pass

Student, Educator and Senior rates are available until September 30th, 2014.

PRE-CONFERENCE INTENSIVE October 16. Three Sisters Farming: Indigenous Women, Plants, and Foodways • $195 *(Includes lunch and bus transportation from Embassy Suites, San Rafael and return.)*

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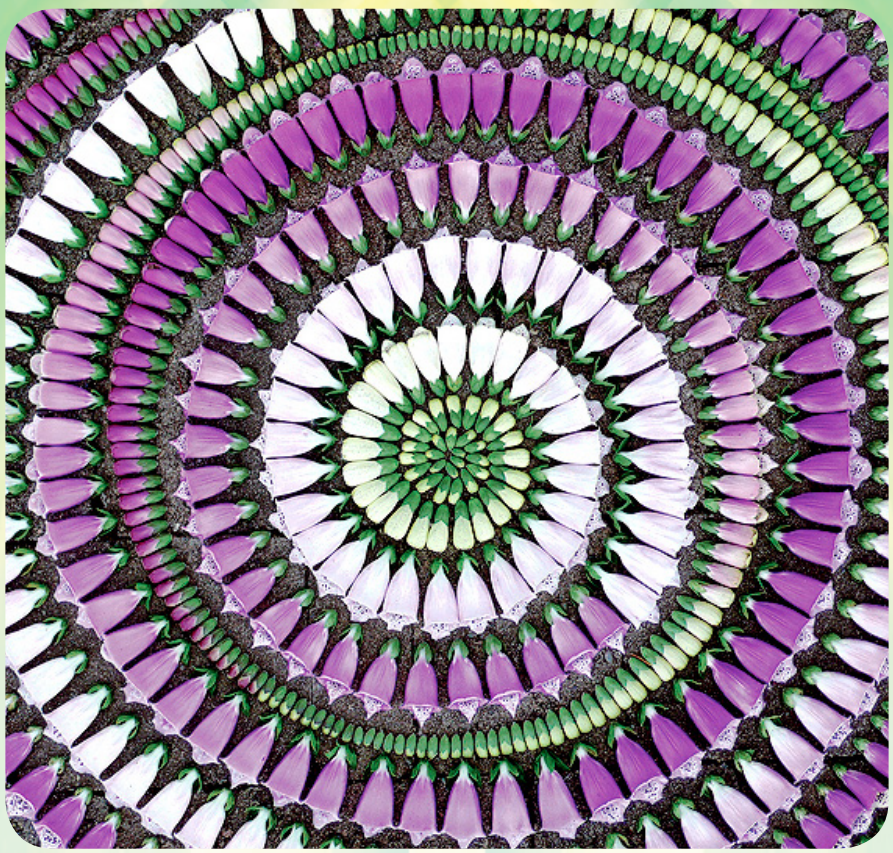

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We stand at the threshold of a singular passage in the human experiment: To re-imagine how to live on Earth in ways that honor the web of life, each other and future generations. To move from breakdown to breakthrough, the coming years will be the most important in the history of human civilization.

Bioneers celebrates and helps realize the dawn of a human civilization that partners with the wisdom of nature's design, and practices values of justice, diversity, democracy and peace. This transformation inspires a change of heart that honors the intrinsic value of all life and our human diversity.

For 25 years, Bioneers has acted as a seedhead for leading-edge progressive ecological, social, and cultural visions, and as a vital network spreading solutions. Bioneers is helping disrupt our current failed institutions by offering people better choices. We show a compelling vision and "the how."

- We **disseminate** the diverse voices of breakthrough innovators with practical and visionary solutions for restoring nature and healing our human communities.
- We **connect** people with solutions and each other.
- We **provide** compelling holistic Education for Action to schools and the public.
- We **engage** global citizens building local community resilience action networks.
- We **cultivate** diverse leadership and citizen leaders, focused on Women, First Peoples and Youth Mentorship.
- We **inspire** wonder and reverence for the genius of nature and human creativity.

As a community of leadership, Bioneers acts as a fertile network of networks and hub of movements engaging many more millions of people to accelerate large-scale shifts. We continually expand our community by connecting diverse movements, cultures, professionals, educators, activists, emerging and established leaders, and global citizens. We serve as crucial communications and networking platforms for diverse voices often otherwise marginalized or excluded.

OUR PROGRAMS

- **Changing the Mindscape: Public Education and Media Outreach**
- **Resilience From the Ground Up: The Bioneers Resilient Communities Network**
- **Community of Leadership: Women, First Peoples and Youth Mentorship**

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